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SUBJECT: GKR PROGRAM OF CONTACTS BEFORE 29TH UNGA: AFRICA

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1. ACCORDING TO GKR CHARGE, FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER KOUN WICK WAS ASKED TO DELAY INDEFINITELY HIS VISIT TO MALAWI DESPITE INITIAL ASSURANCES OF WELCOME. HE IS THEREFORE VISITING ONLY KENYA AND RWANDA AT THIS TIME. AFTER THESE VISITS HE WILL GO TO JOHANNESBURG TO DECIDE WHETHER TO VISIT SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRIES OR TO RETURN TO PARIS.

2. CHARGE COMMENTED THAT GKR EFFORTS TO MAKE CONTACTS IN AFRICA HAD BEEN MORE DIFFICULT THAN ANTICIPATED. HE EXPRESSED HOPE (WITHOUT MUCH CONVICTION) THAT NEW FRENCH GOVERNMENT WOULD PLAY SLIGHTLY MORE POSITIVE ROLE VIS-A-VIS GKR IN FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA.

COMMENT: WE DOUBT THAT NEW GOF WILL BE SIGNIFICANTLY MORE HELPFUL TO GKR IN AFRICA THAN WAS ITS PREDECESSOR.
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